(d) The number of such cases should be within the numerical ceiling prescribed for the Sate/UT.

(d) The allocation made to the different States to implement the three components of NSAP since inception is as under:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	NDAPS	NFBS	NMBS
1995-96	29706.66	15448.65	8736.53
1996-97	48020.40	25013.70	13654.20

(e) Yes, (Government have been considering enhancement of the rates of benefits for NDAPS and NMBS during the 9th Plan Period.

(f) Plan proposal for enhancement for NDAPS and NMBS have been submitted to the Planning Commission.

Setting up of Marketing Network by Private LPG Importers

2865. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private LPG importers have sought the cooperation of the marketing network of IOC and other oil companies;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to assess the potential for cooperation with private importers of LPG; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Public Sector Oil Companies have not received any request from any of the private LPG importer seeking cooperation to utilise their marketing network like distributorships, bottling plants, etc., However, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation and Bharat Petroleum Corporation have been extending the storage and handling assistance at port locations to the private importers on commercial terms subject to the availbility of spare capacity.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

अहमदाबाद में गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए धनराशि

2866. श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ला: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने गुजरात, विशेष रूप से अहमदाबाद में गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई धनराशि प्रदान की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों का वर्ष-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इस संबंध में क्या प्रगति हुई है;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई अन्य योजना तैयार की है;

(ड.) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(च) इन योजनाओं को कब तक लागू किए जाने का विचार है?

शहरी कार्य और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा. यू. वेंकटस्वरलू): (क) गरीबों के लिए शहरी बुनियादी सेवा योजना और प्रधान मंत्री के एकीकृत शहरी गरीबी उन्मूलन कार्यक्रम के तहत गुजरात विशेषत: अहमदाबाद शहर से गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई राशि मुहैया नहीं कराई जाती है।

(ख) से (च) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Research projects funded by TDB

2867. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
be pleased to state:

(a) the research projects funded by Technology Development Board during the last three years and the funds allocated, project- wise, indicating the category such as private industry and Government research organisations;

(b) how many projects have been completed and the research findings submitted;

(c) how many new products/processes have been developed and roducts/processes of these schemes patented and stating the reasons, if not patented; and

(d) the details of mechanism to monitor the quality of research of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) The Technology Development Board has recently been